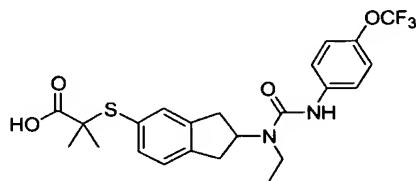


Response to Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has divided the claims of the present application into Groups I-IV. Applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group II (claims 1 and 32) **NON-HETEROCYCLIC**. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the restriction requirement in the above-referenced matter on the grounds that the examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden (MPEP 803). The Examiner's attention is drawn by way of example, to lack of serious burden in searching groups I and II together, which differ with respect to a substituent such as R₄, which can include heterocyclic and non-heterocyclic ring structures. Indeed, a single search for ring systems at the R₄ position will cover both heterocyclic and non-heterocyclic ring systems and thus will not be a serious burden. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the restriction requirement be withdrawn.

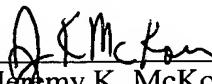
The Examiner has also required election of a species for purposes of the search. Applicants hereby provisionally elect with traverse the species identified below from Group II:



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Applicant respectfully requests that early action be taken in this case.

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